

US History

VUS 2 Reading Guide

VUS2: The student will describe how early European exploration and colonization resulted in cultural interactions among Europeans, Africans, and American Indians (First Americans).

Essential Questions

1. Why did Europeans settle in the English colonies?
2. How did their motivations influence their settlement patterns and colony structures?
3. In what ways did the cultures of Europe, Africa, and the Americas interact?
4. What were the consequences of the interactions of European, African, and American cultures?

26-41	Transatlantic Encounters
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- 29 Chart: The Columbian Exchange
- 31 Chart: North American Population, 1492-1792

Key Terms: Christopher Columbus, colonization, Columbian Exchange, Cortes, Aztec Empire, conquistadors

42-48	An English Settlement at Jamestown
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- 43 Historical Spotlight - The Mystery of Roanoke
- 44 Rediscovering Jamestown
- 46 engraving - A Tobacco Plantation
- 47 Portrait - Pocahontas

Key Terms: John Smith, joint-stock company, Jamestown, Powhatan, headright system, indentured servant, royal colony, John Rolfe, Pocahontas, Chief Opechancanough, Bacon's Rebellion

49-54	Puritans in New England
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- 50 Historical Spotlight - The Mayflower Compact
- 51 History Through Art - Puritan Headstone
- 53 Map - New England Colonies to 1675

Key Terms: Puritans, John Winthrop, Separatist-Pilgrims, Plymouth Colony, Mayflower Compact, covenant community, Massachusetts Bay Colony, Roger Williams, Anne Hutchinson, Pequot War, Metacom, King Philip's War

55-59	Settlement of the Middle Colonies
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- 56 Map - Middle Colonies to 1700
- 57 History Through Architecture
- 58 Painting - William Penn's 1682 treaty with the Native Americans

Key Terms: William Penn, New Netherland, The Dutch, proprietor, Quakers